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Re: Essential Caregivers

Fairview Seniors Community is happy to extend our current essential caregiver role. We recognize the important role that families play in the overall wellbeing of residents, and look forward to you re-establishing connections.

The visitor policy, located on the website, provides information regarding the essential caregiver. Key highlights of changes include:

- The resident or Substitute Decision Maker (SDM) will determine a maximum of two (2) caregivers; this will be completed in writing. The form to establish the caregivers is on the website. Send completed forms to [spawelko@fairviewmh.com](mailto:spawelko@fairviewmh.com).
- To make a change, a new form must be completed.
- When you arrive for the first time, and monthly thereafter, the caregiver will attest that they have been provided and have read the education package, located on the website.
- You are able to bring gifts (flowers, plant) directly to your resident. You may also bring drinks/food. Please do not share items with other residents.

Please note, the following provisions continue to be in place:

- Upon arrival, caregivers must pass active screening. ***As an added precaution, we continue to ask everyone to show their negative COVID-19 test results every time they visit.*** We request your cooperation for the safety of everyone in the community.
- A procedural medical mask will need to be worn for the duration of the visit. There are hand sanitizers located throughout the home. We ask you to sanitize often and when it is appropriate.
- Caregivers will need to go straight to your loved one's room. Please keep a 2-meter distance from other residents and team members when you are in the community. If your loved one is in a shared room, you may be asked to step out of the room momentarily if the other resident in the room requires assistance that cannot maintain that 2-meter distance.
- You will be required to sign in and out in the visitor log book when you arrive and leave.

Just a reminder, if the Home was to go into outbreak or the resident is self-isolating, only one essential caregiver will be able to visit at a time. Also, a caregiver may not visit any other resident or home for 14 days after visiting a home that is in outbreak or a resident that is symptomatic.

We look forward to re-uniting you with your loved one with these new adjustments. We know residents benefit both emotionally and psychologically from these increased visits.

Thank you again for your continued support of our community. We look forward to seeing you soon.